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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:

Inventor: Brian E. Jones, et al.

Application No.: 10/576,331

Filed: July 26, 2011

Title: **MICROCOCCINEAE SERINE PROTEASE
POLYPEPTIDES AND COMPOSITIONS
THEREOF (AS AMENDED)**

Confirmation No.: **7214**

Examiner: Sheridan Swope

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

M/S Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2011. The shortened statutory period for response expired on October 26, 2011. A Petition for Extension of Time is requested for a reply with a three month extension of time and the fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) is electronically submitted herewith. Thus, this response is timely filed.

Prior to reconsidering this application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 20 of this paper.